

- 1 Choose the correct time expressions. Sometimes two answers are possible.

- 1 Nowadays / Suddenly / Then, a lot of people visit Australia.
- 2 My brother failed his driving test three times. But finally / eventually / nowadays he passed it.
- 3 Suddenly / Nowadays / Finally, Helen left the room.
- 4 I've recently / finally / afterwards learned how to swim.
- 5 First of all / Finally / Then, we visited Spain, then / afterwards / recently we went to France.

- 2 Complete the text with the adjectives in the box.

big dark deep happy hot hungry quiet  
terrible worried

## In the Outback

**I**N 2008, my friend Andy and I were on holiday in the Outback in Western Australia. It's a <sup>1</sup> big place and there aren't many people. We had a car, and every day we drove to the next roadhouse. A roadhouse is like a garage and a shop in the middle of nowhere. We stopped every afternoon to hike in the canyons. The weather was very <sup>2</sup> , but we had enough food and water for two days and a radio phone for emergencies. It was an adventure!

But one evening everything changed. We were in our sleeping bags in the car. Suddenly, we heard a strange sound. It was <sup>3</sup> , and we couldn't see anything. It became really windy. Then there was a <sup>4</sup> noise and something hit us. It was a tornado! The car lifted off the ground. After that, it was very calm and <sup>5</sup> . But we didn't sleep again that night; we were so scared.

In the morning, we saw <sup>6</sup> water all around the car. The road was flooded because of the tornado. We couldn't move, but we weren't <sup>7</sup> because we had the emergency phone. Finally, we spoke to someone. He told us to wait in the car. We waited four days until a helicopter rescued us. We became quite <sup>8</sup> and thirsty, but we were OK – and very <sup>9</sup> to see our rescuers. It wasn't an adventure any more!

- 3 Read the text again. Number the events in the correct order

- a ☐ The tornado moved the car.
- b ☐ They were asleep in the car.
- c ☐ They went on holiday to Western Australia.
- d ☐ The helicopter arrived.
- e ☐ The flood waters arrived.
- f ☐ They finished all the food and drink in the car.
- g ☐ They heard a loud noise.
- h ☐ They phoned the emergency services.

### Challenge!

**INTERNET RESEARCH** Find out about Australia. Complete the table.

Population:	
Capital:	
Biggest city:	
Tallest mountain:	
Animals that only live in Australia:	
Another interesting fact:	

